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Homecoming '92

Theme: "Praise the Lord, O my soul and forget not all his benefits—"

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Homecoming '92 will be a time of celebration and praise to our God, the source of all our blessings. As alumni we have directly experienced these benefits; now we have a great opportunity to *come home* to praise the Lord. For Redeemer has been like a home for alumni: here perspective has been nurtured, growth fostered and relationships developed. Won't you join the Homecoming and 10th Anniversary celebrations?

Plans for the weekend festivities are tentatively scheduled. The Homecoming Committee proposes to begin the celebrations early Friday evening, September 25th with a front lawn barbecue/corn roast—an excellent and informal opportunity to become reacquainted with fellow alumni, and meet current Redeemer students, staff and faculty.

The evening's entertainment will include opening ceremonies in the art gallery for an art exhibition of works

produced by alumni; coffeehouse capers in the cafeteria staged by present Redeemer students; and a back-of-the-school bonfire.

On Saturday morning at breakfast your alumni board hopes to get some business done. We will be needing

community on Saturday morning in a special ceremony in the auditorium. Afterwards join the president for coffee and cake.

Saturday afternoon there will be an open house with displays featuring various college departments.

At 2:30 p.m. the Redeemer College Annual General Membership Meeting convenes in the auditorium. Shortly thereafter we'll be staging the *Varsity/Alumni Challenge* in the gymnasium. Alumni will compete with teams in basketball and varsity volleyball.

No doubt, the climax of the weekend will be a

semi-formal Alumni Banquet which takes place on Saturday evening. The dinner will be followed by an anniversary slide show on the growth of the College; speeches; and an alumni talent show—any volunteers?

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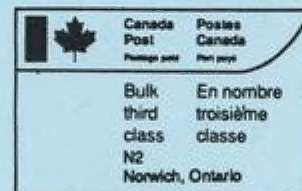


new board members and we would like to sanction our constitution.

This year, Homecoming coincides with the tenth anniversary of the College. Help celebrate this milestone by joining the rest of the college

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The Editor's

Greetings fellow Alum! I hope that you had a peaceful Christmas season. Although nothing creates commitments and appointments like a holiday, I trust that you had a blessed time with family and friends celebrating the birth of our Lord. From all of us on the Alumni Board, I wish you God's blessing for the new year.

From the feedback that I received from the last issue of *Images*, it appears that many of you are excited about this fall's Homecoming celebrations. But my first crack at being an "editor" was not an unqualified success. First of all, Walt Vanderwerf is being *ordained*, not *ordinated* (sorry about that, Walt).

More importantly, concern was expressed by some over the appropriateness of the pictures that were on the cover. I offer my sincerest apologies to anyone who felt offended by those pictures. I will take care to ensure that something like this does not happen again.

In the last issue of *Images* I sketched out how the idea of "community" should be applied to the alumni's relationship with the college. I would like to use an experience from my previous career to illustrate how this could be utilized. One of the most important lessons that I learned from teaching was that in order to be successful, you have to involve the students in their own education. If the material is too abstract, too far removed from



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their own lives, the students quickly lose interest. The goal is to involve the students in the curriculum— involvement leads to a sense of ownership and personal responsibility which leads to a fuller understanding and

appreciation of the material.

The same holds true for us as alumni—without a sense of purpose or involvement, the goals of the Association lose all meaning and the idea of community falters. On the other hand, if we as alumni continue to be involved in the affairs of the Association and the College, we can strengthen that sense of community. Few of us

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will ever question the value of the education and experiences that Redeemer has provided, but we often lose almost all contact with the College after we leave.

How can you become involved in the Alumni Association? In this issue of *Images* you will see a number of different ways to strengthen those ties.

The front cover describes some of the plans that we have for Homecoming '92; this event will require lots of volunteers to play a very active role in planning, promoting and carrying out the different activities.

Keep up on what is happening on campus—subscribe to the student

newspaper *The Crown*.

Some of you are in a position to start some long-term financial planning; have you thought of investing your money in Redeemer College RRSP's? See the ad in this issue for details.

Let people know what you are up to! *Images* is probably read by most from back to front, proving that people are more concerned with what others are up to than what the Association is up to.

Or write to me to express any comments that you may have over the direction *Images* or the Alumni Association is taking. You can be sure that your voice will be heard.

Also, you are some of the best ambassadors that the College has; you are becoming members of new communities, developing new relationships. One of the best ways you can help out the College is by passing on names of prospective students. Do you know anyone in your community who would benefit from the same Christ-centred, high quality education that you received? If so, call the Admissions Office at 1-800-263-6467.

When I talk to alumni one of the themes that continually arises is the pride they felt as students knowing that they were a part of something special—a vibrant community committed to the development of God's Kingdom. Why not become involved in the community of alumni? It does not take great amounts of time or energy, and it is the ideal way to continue what you started as a student.

Until next time, Tim



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Sunday morning will conclude the Homecoming '92 celebration with an

alumni-led church service.

As you can see, this is an ambitious plan; to pull it off, we will need your help. Enjoy a sense of pride and ownership by actively participating in

the event's organization. If you can help in any way, give Tim Wolfert a call at the College. Watch for lists of specific needs that will be published in the next issue of *Images*.





Above (left to right): Helen Vreugdenhil, a 1987 graduate; and Sylvia Keesmaat, graduate 1986, in front of the Bodleian Library, Oxford, England. Helen is working on a doctorate in British history at the University of Toronto and is in Oxford for several months doing research. Sylvia is in the third year of her doctoral programme in Biblical studies at Worcester College, Oxford University.

Profile

This is the first in a series of alumni profiles. If you are aware of alumni who are challenging life in unique and wonderful ways, please contact Tim Wolfert at the College.

Betty Broersma Brouwer (1988)

After graduating from Redeemer College I completed a two-year post-graduate program at the Toronto Art Therapy Institute.

Currently I am working as an art therapist at COHR Family Services, Burlington; Hatts Off Specialized Services, Dundas; and Salem Christian Counselling Services, Hamilton. I also spend time art-making and creating images for liturgical banners.

I graduated from Redeemer with a major in psychology and minors in art and social work. I was able to combine

my educational training and interests in art therapy. My minors gave me a solid foundation. My studies in psychology gave me a broad knowledge of the different psychological theories from within a Christian perspective.

The art program at Redeemer provides first-hand knowledge and experience with the various art mediums.

An art therapist doesn't have to be an artist, but does need a solid working knowledge of the nature and developmental process of art. Redeemer gave me the necessary knowledge in both art and psychology. ○



Coming Events

Ticket information is available through Redeemer College at (416)648-2131.

February 26 - Women's varsity basketball vs. Lambton at 6 p.m.

March 5-7 - Theatre: *Great Catherine* by G.B. Shaw, directed by Jeff Kiers. 8 p.m.

March 13 - Piano recital by Fred DeHaan. 8 p.m.

April 2-4 - Main Stage Theatre: *Crimes of the Heart* by Beth Henley, directed by Simon duToit. 8 p.m. Matinee: April 3 at 2 p.m.

April 10 - Spring Choir and Brass Festival. Redeemer College Concert Choir and Great Lakes Brass. 8 p.m. Music by Bach and Handel.

May 23 - Graduation.

June 2 - Spring Organ Concert. 8 p.m.

September 8 - Convocation.

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The Personal Touch

Wilma Vanderleek (x82) has moved to 1282S 93rd Avenue, Surrey, British Columbia V3V 6B6. Tel: (604)584-6876.

Congratulations to **Tim (x85)** and **Janet Kroezen** on the birth of their first child, Michael Adrian.

Shirley Buisman (Verkuyt 86) has moved with her husband, Ray, to Halifax, Nova Scotia where she is teaching music classes part-time at the Canadian Conservatory of Music.

Their address is 21 Parkdale Avenue, R.R.#1 Armdale, Nova Scotia B3L 4J1. Tel: (902)876-0607.

Walt (86) and **Ellen VanderWerf (Rhebergen 86)** are expecting fraternal twins due in April. Their address is 4624-7th Avenue, Edson, Alberta T7E 1C9. Tel: (403)723-4053. Visitors are welcome.

Casper Van Gurp (86) has moved to 11 Hamlet Court, Brampton, Ontario L6S 1X5. Tel: (416)793-6545.

Congratulations to **Peter Vellenga (87)** with his ordination into the ministry. Peter has accepted a call to the new independent Christian Reformed Church in Aylmer.

He informs us that his temporary mailing address is R.R.#1 Smithville, Ontario L0R 2A0.

Dick Kievit (89) received his master of arts degree at the University of Texas in Arlington and is presently teaching English at the King Abdul Aziz University in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. Anyone wishing to write to him may direct mail to his sister Coriena Kievit at R.R.#3 Wainfleet, Ontario L0S 1V0.

Albert Wielinga (90) married **Glenda Claus (x91)** on December 28, 1991 in Woodstock, Ontario. Congratulations Albert and Glenda.

Albert recently received his teacher's certificate from the British Columbia College of Teachers and now teaches science, math and keyboarding at Fraser Valley High School in Surrey, British Columbia.

To save herself from a countrywide commute, Glenda has transferred to Trinity Western University.

The address of the newlyweds is 13479-83 A Avenue, Surrey, British Columbia V3W 041. Tel: (604)599-8168.

Alumni, Where Are YOU?

Everyone who has ever attended Redeemer College should have the opportunity to be at the big Homecoming '92 celebration, September 25 to 27. We would like to make sure every one of our alumni receives a personal invitation.

It turns out we've lost track of a few people. Below is a list of alumni and the name of the place where we were last able to contact them. If you are one of these alumni or know where we can contact anyone on the list, please send the address to *Tim Wolfert, Alumni Affairs Coordinator, Redeemer College, Ancaster, ON L9G 3N6*.

Cathy Benjamins
Sharon Berg

Fonthill, ON
Petrolia, ON

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Arnold Eigeman	Amsterdam, NL
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Henry Hogeterp	Grand Rapids, MI
John Hutten	Millgrove, ON
David Kelly	Hamilton, ON
Annette Koiter	Ottawa, ON
Anita Lewis	Renfrew, ON
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Fred Niemeyer	Grimsby, ON
Michaela Schaap	Kingston, ON
Lennie Steiginga (Vreugdenhill)	Ottawa, ON
Susan Terhorst	Ottawa, ON
Susan Vanderstelt	Hamilton, ON
Dick Vander Vorst	Calgary, AB
Fred Vanderwoude	Renfrew, ON
Krista Van Hartingsveldt	Newtonville, ON
Helen Verkuyt	Thornhill, ON
Shirley Vermolen	St. Catharines, ON
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Frank Wielinga	Georgetown, ON

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